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TO:

GENERAL SCOWCROFT

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FROM:

SECRETARY KISSINGER

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TOHAKS 104 and 107

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 ON-FILE NSC RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS APPLY
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SITROOM: DELIVER AT OPENING OF BUSINESS

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- 6. THE CHINESE WOULD LIKE SCHLESINGER TO VISIT. THIS IS CLEARLY OUT OF THE QUESTION BUT I WOULD LIKE TO TURN IT INTO FORD INVITATION. ASSUME PRESIDENT APPROVES. COULD WE ANNOUNCE IT AS A RESULT OF THIS VISIT.
- 7. PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT SCHLESINGER DOES NOT PUT OUT STORY OF "TOUGH" PRESIDENT AND "SOFT" SECRETARY.
- 8. WARM REGARDS.

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